## **City of Springfield**

## Memo

To:

File - Payne Sign Company, 501 N. National

From: Gene Pabst

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Date: 0

08/20/02

Re:

Discharge to a sanitary manhole

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On August 20, 2002 (9:35 A.M.) Randy Lyman informed me that John Rippe had called him and said that at Dennis Oil there was a rubber hose going to a sanitary sewer manhole. I did an inspection at 10:05 A.M. and found a 1 ½" rubber hose going into a sanitary manhole. There was a steel plate over the manhole and a slot cut out for the hose to fit into. The steel plate was cut to fit the ring of the manhole. It appeared that the hose was coming from Payne Sign company. I went to Payne Sign and talked to Mr. Ron Barber, owner of the company. Mr. Barber explained that the hose was from the sump pump at their loading dock. I told Mr. Barber that we had two problems. One, no one is supposed to be doing anything to the City of Springfield's manholes. In addition, storm water is not supposed to be discharged to the sanitary sewer. Both of these things are against City Ordinances. I explained that since storm water did not need treatment it did not need to go to the sanitary sewer. This water should be placed in the curb and gutter. Mr. Barber stated that all of the other storm discharges go to National St. I asked him if they could run the hose around their building and get the sump pump water to the curb. He said they put it in the sanitary sewer because it was a shorter run than to National St. Mr. Barber stated that the discharge from the sump pump used to just run out on the railroad right of way to the North of their building. Then Dennis Oil built a new building and payed the lot. The water from the sump was flowing all over Dennis Oil's paved lot. Mr. Barber asked if he could remove the rubber hose and reroute the discharge this Saturday. I told him that would be okay because it is not supposed to rain between now and then. I also told Mr. Barber that I would check next week to make sure this problem had been corrected.

On Monday August 26, 2002, I inspected the discharge from the loading dock sump pump. The hose has been removed from the sanitary sewer and the manhole replaced. The hose from the sump pump is now discharging onto the ground at Dennis Oil. I went inside Payne Sign Company to tell the owner that the problem had been corrected. He was not there so I left a message. Upon returning to the office I contacted John Rippe and told him that he could put a flow meter into this manhole because the sump pump discharge had been removed.

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